



## **MADD Release**

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) is pleased and honored to announce that Andrea Schmauss, a longtime active volunteer for MADD, and other agencies, has been selected as one of the Mayor's Volunteer Houston Award winners. Hundreds of Volunteer nominations are submitted from numerous agencies, and individuals, and then a selected panel of community leaders finalizes the winning 10 recipients.

This award comes through Volunteer Houston with the Mayor's Office of the City of Houston and Shell Oil Company. The awards were first presented in 1984 to honor individuals and groups who have performed exceptional volunteer service in the Houston Community. MADD Southeast Texas Executive Director John McNamee says, "MADD Southeast Texas has several volunteers that give of themselves above and beyond any expectations, and we honor and appreciate them all collectively. We are thrilled to have nominated Andrea and hope all of Houston will join us in congratulating this well-deserved volunteer."

Andrea has served MADD focusing on the Law Enforcement Appreciation and Support Team. She has served off and on the Advisory Board under several administrations of MADD. Andrea is also a past recipient of MADD Southeast Texas Linda Kitazaki Award for her volunteer service against drunk driving through her support of law enforcement officers. She has also been nominated for MADD National Awards.

Andrea's award from the Mayor is based on her overall volunteer work throughout many years with MADD, Crime Stoppers, numerous Citizen's Police Academy programs, National Night Out, and various programs throughout the Greater Houston area with Juvenile Probation, Houston Police Department, Sheriff's and Department of Public Safety offices.

An awards luncheon on May 10, at the Westin Oaks Galleria Ballroom, is scheduled where Mayor Parker will present Andrea with the beautiful crystal award.